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Decision 03-07-027 July 10, 2003

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

(U 39 M)

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority, Among Other Things, To Increase Revenue Requirements for Electric and Gas Service and to Increase Rates and Charges for Gas Service Effective on January1, 2003.

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Application 02-11-017 (Filed November 8, 2002)

Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion Into the Rates, Operations, Practices, Service and Facilities of Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

Investigation 03-01-012 (Filed January 16, 2003)

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company Pursuant to Resolution E-3770 for Reimbursement of Costs Associated with Delay in Implementation of PG&E's New Customer Information System Caused by the 2002 20/20 Customer Rebate Program.

Application 02-09-005 (Filed September 6, 2002)

(U 39 E)

DECISION GRANTING REQUEST TO DELAY FILING OF TESTIMONY ON MARGINAL COSTS, REVENUE ALLOCATION, AND RATE DESIGN

On May 20, 2003, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) filed a joint motion for a six-month delay in filing of PG&E's testimony on marginal costs, revenue allocation, and rate design (also known as Phase 2 testimony). The request is supported by the California Farm Bureau. The Office of Ratepayer

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Advocates (ORA) has no objection to the requested delay. No other party has weighed in on requested delay.

PG&E's request to delay filing its Phase 2 testimony until February 6, 2004 is reasonable given the adopted schedule for processing PG&E's revenue requirement request and the schedules of other general rate cases. Granting a delay will allow the Commission and the parties to focus their limited resources on other pending proceedings.

Comments on Draft Decision

This is an uncontested matter in which the decision grants the relief requested. Accordingly, pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 311 (g)(2), the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review and comment is being waived.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michael R. Peevey is the Assigned Commissioner and Michelle Cooke and Julie Halligan are the assigned Administrative Law Judges in this proceeding.

Finding of Fact

1. PG&E's request to delay filing its Phase 2 testimony until February 6, 2004 is reasonable given the adopted schedule for processing PG&E's revenue requirement request and other general rate cases.

Conclusion of Law

1. PG&E's request to delay filing its Phase 2 testimony until February 6, 2004, should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) request to delay filing its testimony on marginal costs, revenue allocation, and rate design is granted.

2. PG&E shall file its testimony on marginal costs, revenue allocation, and rate design on February 6, 2004.

This order is effective today.

Dated July 10, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

MICHAEL R. PEEVEY
President
CARL W. WOOD
LORETTA M. LYNCH
GEOFFREY F. BROWN
SUSAN P. KENNEDY
Commissioners